

BURRY PORT URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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To: The Chairman and Councillors of  
Burry Port Urban District Council.

REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH  
FOR THE YEAR 1972.

I beg to submit my report to you for the year 1972 on the Health Administration of the District. An Environmental Health Report of the Public Health Inspector is also incorporated.

E.H. Beynon Hopkins.

Medical Officer of Health.



Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health for the year 1972.

Mr. Chairman, Mrs. Parry and Gentlemen,

I am pleased to present my report to you for the year 1972.

Members of Council:

Councillor G. Thomas	Chairman of Council
Councillor R.J. James	Vice-Chairman of Council
Councillor J.D. Gethin	Chairman of Health Committee
Councillor L. Thomas	Chairman of Housing Committee
	(Resigned from Chairmanship 3/8/72)
Councillor D.W. Thorburn	
Councillor L. Dennis	
Councillor Mrs. E. Jones-Parry	
Councillor H. Rowlands	
Councillor G.E. Phillips	
Councillor I.Ll. Jones, J.P.,	
Councillor G.W. West	
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Councillor T.E. Marks	
Councillor A.H.P. Phillips	

Public Health Department

Dr. E.H. Beynon Hopkins	Medical Officer of Health.
M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.	
H.V.L. Thomas,	Public Health Inspector and
M.A.P.H.I., M.R.S.H.	Housing Officer.
F.N.P. Griffiths, D.P.A.	Clerk (to Public Health & Surveyor's Department).

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE DISTRICT:

The District covers an area of	1374 acres
Population (Mid-year 1972) estimated by	
Registrar General	6030
Density per acre	4.39
Number of inhabited dwellings at April 1972.	2101
Sum represented by New Penny Rate on R.V.	£2,025
Rateable Value	£204,553

Unemployment: The average number of unemployed for the year was 151(108 males, 43 females) weekly. The insurable population was 1,153 males and 278 females, giving a total of 1,431. The increase in unemployment in the area was due to redundancies at factories in the Burry Port, Kidwelly and Llanelli areas. The figures decreased during the last three months of 1972, when men were being engaged by Contractors at Carmarthen Bay Power Station.

EXTRACT FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR

LIVE BIRTHS.

Males	33	Females	45	Total	78
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Rate per 1,000 home population:

- (a) Crude Rate 12.94
- (b) Adjusted Rate 14.62

Area Comparability Factor. 1.13



Illegitimate Live Births

Males	1	Females	Nil	Total	1
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Illegitimate Live Births per cent of Total Live Births 1.28

Illegitimacy Rate per 1,000 Total Live Births 12.82

DEATHS.

Males	35	Females	41	Total	76
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Rate per 1,000 home population:

(a) Crude Rate	12.60
(b) Adjusted Rate	12.73

Area comparability Factor 1.01

Deaths (65 years and over)

Males	27	Females	23	Total	50
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Stillbirths.

Males	1	Females	Nil	Total	1
Rate per 1,000 Total Live and Stillbirths				12.65	
Total Live and Stillbirths: Males 34 Females 45				Total 79	

Infant Deaths (deaths under 1 year) (Legitimate).

Males	Nil	Females	1	Total	1
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Infant Deaths (deaths under 1 year) (Illegitimate).

Males	Nil	Females	Nil	Total	Nil
Infant Death Rate per 1,000 Total Live Births				12.86	
Legitimate Infant Death Rate per 1,000 Legitimate Live Births				12.99	
Illegitimate Infant Death Rate per 1,000 Illegitimate Live Births				Nil	

Neo-Natal Mortality (deaths under 1/4 weeks)

Males	Nil	Females	1	Total	1
Rate per 1,000 Total Live Births				12.86	

Early Neo-Natal Mortality (deaths under 1 week).

Males	Nil	Females	Nil	Total	Nil
Rate per 1,000 Live Births				Nil.	

Perinatal Mortality (Stillbirths and Deaths of Infants under 1 week).

Males	1	Females	Nil	Total	1.
Rate per 1,000 Total Live and Stillbirth				12.66	

Maternal Mortality (including abortion).

Number of deaths Nil.

Rate per 1,000 Total Live and Stillbirths Nil.

Rates per 1,000 of Estimated Population:

	Crude Rate	Adjusted Rate	for England and Wales.
Live Births	12.94	14.62(a)	14.8
Deaths	12.60	12.73(b)	12.1
Rate of Stillbirths per 1,000 Live and Stillbirths	12.65		12.00
Infant Mortality rate per 1,000 Live Births	12.86(c)		17.00





Year 1972

	Maternal Mort- ality Rate per 1,000 total Live Births.	Infant Mort- ality rate per 1,000 Live Births.	Stillbirth Rate per 1,000 Births	Neo-Natal Mortality rate per 1,000 related Live Births.	Illegitimacy rate per 1,000 total live Births.
BURRY PORT	NIL	12.86	12.65	12.86	12.82
ENGLAND & WALES	0.15	17.0	12.0	12.0	86.0

Corresponding Rates for Burry Port Previous Years:

	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972
a.	15.51	21.73	17.14	13.66	18.14	14.62
b.	15.28	14.43	14.34	13.52	14.17	12.73
c.	12.20	17.39	22.22	Nil	10.31	12.86

CAUSES OF DEATHS IN BURRY PORT URBAN DISTRICT DURING YEAR 1972.

(REGISTRAR GENERAL'S STATISTICS)

	Male	Female	Total
B19(4) Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine	3	2	5
B19(6) Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	2	2	4
B19(7) Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	-	3	3
B19(8) Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus		1	1
B19(11) Other Malignant Neoplasms	2	2	4
B21 Diabetes Mellitus	-	1	1
B24 Meningitis	-	1	1
B26 Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	-	1	1
B27 Hypertensive Disease	-	1	1
B28 Ischaemic Heart Disease	15	11	26
B29 Other forms of Heart Disease	3	2	5
B30 Cerebrovascular Disease	3	8	11
B46(6) Other Diseases of Circulatory System	-	1	1
B32 Pneumonia	1	1	2
B33(1) Bronchitis and Emphysema	3	1	4
B46(7) Other Diseases of Respiratory System	1	-	1
B46(8) Other Diseases of Digestive System	-	1	1
B46(9) Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	1	-	1
B42 Congenital Anomalies	1	-	1
BE48 All Other Accidents	-	1	1
BE49 Suicide and Self-inflicted Injuries	-	1	1
Total all Causes	<u>35</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>76</u>

CAUSES OF INFANT DEATHS

	AGE	SEX	PLACE OF DEATH
Spina Bifida with Hydrocephalus,			
Urinary Tract Infection	1 Yr.	Male	Hospital
Meningitis	1 Wk.	Female	Hospital

INFECTIOUS DISEASES. The following Notifications were received during the year:-

Measles: 19 Infective Jaundice: 3

FOOD POISONING. No cases were notified or otherwise ascertained.

NEW TUBERCULOSIS CASES:

<u>Non Pulmonary.</u>		<u>Pulmonary</u>	
<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

IMMUNISATION:

Experience in Wales and elsewhere continues to show the value of maintaining a high level of immunisation in the population against certain diseases. In particular those against diphtheria, whooping cough, poliomyelitis, measles and tetanus. It must be emphasised that, where these diseases have been absent for many years, the prevention of a possibly serious epidemic depends on the percentage of susceptible persons in the population who have been immunised or vaccinated against these diseases.

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Vaccination against smallpox need no longer be recommended as a routine procedure in early childhood. Vaccination continues to be recommended for travellers to and from countries where smallpox is endemic or where eradication programmes are in progress and for health service staff who may come into contact with patients.

#### BCG Vaccination (Whole County)

	<u>Contact Scheme</u>	<u>School Children</u>
Number Skin Tested	108	1,027
Number found negative	98	895
Number vaccinated	82	887

#### Immunisation of persons under 16 years (Whole County)

	<u>PRIMARY</u>						<u>BOOSTERS</u>
	<u>Born 1972</u>	<u>Born 1971</u>	<u>Born 1970</u>	<u>Born 1969</u>	<u>Born 1965-68</u>	<u>Others Up to 16yrs</u>	
Triple Antigen (Diphtheria, Pertussis and Tetanus)	124*	742	77	12	26	5	1,080
Diphtheria/Tetanus	-	26	6	19	24	10	533
Tetanus	5	1	5	3	26	24	173
Polionyelitis	97*	767	101	33	81	16	1,448
Measles	1	68	149	29	33	7	-
Rubella	-	-	-	-	-	289	-

\* For Children born since 1972 appointments under the computer scheme are made at the current recommended schedule of primary procedure i.e. first appointment offered at six months and full primary course not completed until child is in second year of life. Hence the reduced figure for this particular age group.

#### MASS RADIOGRAPHY

Mobile Units of the Welsh Hospital Board discontinued to operate with effect from 31st March, 1970. In their place the mass radiography service was integrated into the ordinary hospital radiology services. Facilities for chest X-Rays are available to the public at West Wales General Hospital, Carmarthen, Llanelli General Hospital and Singleton Hospital, Swansea. These hospitals also provide general practitioners with open access to their radiology department for chest X-Ray examinations at all times. In addition general practitioners can refer patients to any chest clinic for consultant opinion.

#### NATIONAL BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE:

One session was held during the year (20th September) at the Carmarthen Bay Power Station when 102 persons attended. 96 persons gave blood (of which 17 were new donors) as follows:-

Foster Wheeler Contractors	8
Marcroft Engineering Works	1
Green Economisers Company	2
Other Sub-Contractors	6
Power Station employees	52
General Public	27

Regular sessions for the general public are held at Llanelli. Most people can donate blood to the 'Blood Bank' and the amount of blood taken is quickly restored from the body's reserve which is replaced in a matter of days. With the everlasting and ever increasing need for blood, I appeal that in future, more people will donate blood for this most worthy and needy cause.

#### NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 - SECTION 47 (As amended 1951).

No action was deemed necessary under this Section during the year, for the removal, to suitable premises, of persons in need of care and attention. That the power is available is often sufficient to persuade such persons to agree to be moved.

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NATIONAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO CHILDREN:

Close collaboration is maintained with the Local N.S.P.C.C. Inspectors and mutual action to mitigate distress is taken where necessary. The area is at present served by the Inspectors at Carmarthen or Swansea.

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE:

The County Council provides the service for the care and after care of people suffering from mental illness or subnormality and whole-time Social Workers are employed for mental welfare work.

MENTAL SUBNORMALS:

The Carmarthenshire County Council is responsible for the ascertainment, supervision and general welfare of mental defectives. Supervisory home visits are made by Social Workers and a Home Teacher is also employed for the home teaching of mental defectives.

There is a Junior Training Centre for mentally handicapped children at Heol Goffa, Llanelli with teaching facilities for 75 children and residential accommodation for 12 children. Under agreement with the Welsh Regional Board facilities are made available for use of short term care cases during holidays whenever possible or during illness of the guardians. A new adult training centre is also sited at Heol Goffa, Llanelli.

GENERAL HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES:

In November, 1972, a new Health Centre, provided by the Carmarthenshire County Council at Memorial Square, came into operation.

The Health Centre accommodates County Health Clinics and services for the community and the Surgeries for the local General Practitioners.

The Services provided are as follows:-

Ante-Natal Clinic	Dr. I.E. Price	Mondays	2.00p.m. - 4.00p.m.
Immunisation Clinic (Babies)	Dr. I.E. Price	2nd Wednesday every month.	
Ante-Natal Clinic		Mondays	9.30a.m. - 12.30p.m.
Infant Welfare Clinic		Tuesdays	2.00p.m. - 4.00p.m.
Expectant Mothers' Relaxation Classes		Wednesdays	2.00p.m. - 4.30p.m.
Orthopaedic Clinic (School Children)		Thursdays	All Day.
School Dental Clinic		Wednesdays	All Day.
Social Worker (in attendance)		Wednesdays	From 10.15a.m.
Chiropody Clinic (Old Age Persons)		Tuesdays Wednesdays Fridays	) By Appointment

Other Services:

Veneral Disease Clinics.	West Wales General Hospital, Glangwili, Carmarthen.	1st Fri. each month	2.00p.m. - 6.00p.m.
		3rd Fri. each month	2.00p.m. - 6.00p.m.





Other Services (Contd.....)

Venereal Disease	Mount Pleasant, Hospital, Swansea.	<u>Males:</u>	
		<u>Mondays</u>	9.00a.m. - 12 noon
		<u>Tuesdays</u>	2.00p.m. - 4.00p.m.
		<u>Wednesdays</u>	5.00p.m. - 7.00p.m.
		<u>Females:</u>	
		<u>Tuesdays</u>	9.00a.m. - 12 noon
Chest Clinic	Bay View, Capel Road, Llanelli.	<u>Thursdays</u>	3.00p.m. - 5.00p.m.
		<u>Mondays</u>	9.00a.m. - 5.30p.m.
		<u>Tuesdays</u>	9.00a.m. - 1.00p.m.
		<u>Wednesdays (by appointment only).</u>	9.00a.m. - 6.00p.m.
		<u>Thursdays</u>	9.00a.m. - 5.30p.m.
		<u>Fridays</u>	9.00a.m. - 5.30p.m.
Psychiatric Outpatients' Clinic.	Llanelli General Hospital	<u>General Practitioners' referrals (X-Ray only)</u>	
		<u>Tuesdays</u>	2.00p.m. - 4.00p.m.
		<u>Every other Wednesday.</u>	2.00p.m.
Deaf Aid (Repairs) Clinic	Llanelli General Hospital	<u>Thursdays</u>	9.00a.m. - 5.00 p.m.
Physiotherapy Clinic	Bryntirion Hospital, Swansea Road, Llanelli.	<u>Monday to Friday</u>	9.00a.m. - 5.00p.m.
		<u>Saturday</u>	9.00a.m. - 12 noon
Immunisation (and Vaccination if required)	Brynmair Clinic, Goring Road, Llanelli.	<u>Fridays</u>	10.00a.m. - 11.00a.m.
Family Planning	Llanelli General Hospital.	<u>Every Tuesday except the 1st Tuesday of the month.</u>	5.30p.m. onwards
	Health Centre, Llwynhendy	<u>1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month</u>	5.30p.m. - 7.30p.m.
Cervical Cytology	Llanelli General Hospital. (Family Planning Association)	<u>Every Tuesday except the 1st Tuesday of the month.</u>	5.30p.m. onwards
	Brynmair Clinic, Goring Road, Llanelli.	<u>Wednesdays</u>	2.00p.m. - 5.00p.m.

COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES

The Social Services Department of Carmarthenshire County Council was re-organised under the Direction of Mrs. Mair Parfitt, B.A., with Assistant Directors for:-

- (a) Social Work
- (b) Residential
- (c) Administration

Under (a) above Area Offices were set up at Carmarthen, Llanelli and Llandeilo. These are each staffed by an Area Officer with Social Workers for the services provided by the County Authority. The Llanelli Office is situated at the County Council Offices, Swansea Road, Llanelli which serves the Burry Port area.





## HOSPITALS

There are four local hospitals. The Llanelli General Hospital with 160 beds; Bryntirion Hospital for Chronic sick with 156 beds; Glasfryn Maternity Hospital with 12 beds; Cilymaenllwyd Pre-Convalescent Hospital with 43 beds.

## CITIZEN'S ADVICE BUREAU.

A Bureau is established at The Old Vicarage, Church Street, Llanelli. Office hours, Monday to Friday inclusive, are 10.00 a.m. to 12 noon and 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. (Telephone Llanelli 5626).

The Council contributes £20.00 annually towards the cost of the operation of the Bureau.

## REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS:

The Registrar is available weekly at the Memorial Hall Library as follows:-

Mondays	9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.
Wednesdays	10.00 a.m. to 12 noon.
Fridays	9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.

## DISTRIBUTION OF WELFARE FOODS:

National Welfare Foods are distributed under the management of the Carmarthenshire County Council. The foods are available from the Health Centre during Clinic Sessions.

Home Help Service	) These are under the control of the Carmarthenshire County Council. A close liaison is kept between the Health Department and the Officials responsible for these services, as well as with the Department of Health and Social Security through which domestic help can be arranged.
Nursing Service	
Welfare Service	

The area organiser of the Home Help Service is available for enquiries at 6, John Street, Llanelli on Mondays, between 2.30 p.m. and 4.00 p.m.

## LABORATORY FACILITIES

Specimens and samples for bacteriological examination are sent to the Public Health Laboratory, Glangwili Hospital, Carmarthen and for analysis to the Public Analyst, Carmarthen.

## VAPOUR GAS DISINFECTOR.

This is situated at Llanelli and is used under a scheme operated in conjunction with Llanelli Borough, Llanelli Rural District and Kidwelly Borough Councils.

## WATER SUPPLY.

Water supply comes under the jurisdiction of the Water Board, the constituent Authorities being Llanelli Borough, Llanelli Rural District, Burry Port Urban District and Kidwelly Borough Councils.

The Town is supplied with filtered and chlorinated water from the Water Board's Treatment Works at Felinfoel, Llanelli.

No Water Supply schemes were completed in the area during 1972 by the Board.

A housing site main extension was under construction for the Dolau Fan Estate and a 4" link main from Dolau Fan to the Graig.

There were no schemes awaiting Welsh Office approval at the end of 1972.

A scheme for water supply to the proposed housing site at Plasymor was under consideration at the end of the year.

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Samples for bacteriological examination and chemical analysis are taken by the Board and have proved satisfactory. The water is generally satisfactory in quality and quantity and is not plumbo-solvent.

Samples taken by the Health Department, submitted for bacteriological examination, in addition to those taken by the Board, were satisfactory.

Average daily consumption of water in the Board's area:-

Domestic 25,463 cu/m (filtered and chlorinated)  
Trade 20,786 cu/m (chlorinated only)

Total number of dwellings in the Board's area supplied with water 27,142.  
Estimated population supplied 76,798.

Number of cubic metres pumped during 1972:

From Gwendraeth Fach river 520,700  
From River Towy 953,000

Number of days pumping:

Pembrey Pumping Station 57  
Towy Pumping Station 51

Total Rainfall during 1972:

Cwmlliedi Reservoir 1410.15 m.m.(55.5 inches)

Number of days on which

rain fell 211

Maximum fall 53.5 m.m. (2.16 inches)

Date - 8th September.

#### REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

H.V.L. Thomas, M.A.P.H.I., M.R.S.H.

#### GENERAL ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH (INSPECTIONS, ETC.) OF THE AREA:

Number of Public Health enquiries or complaints received	132
Number of persons including property owners interviewed	852
Council dwellings inspections (prior to re-letting, transfer and exchanges	35
Number of dwellings inspected under the provisions of the Public Health or Housing Acts	25
Water Supply	3
Water leaks repaired	104
Flooding	6
Verminous premises and dirty conditions	10
Disinfestations at Verminous Premises	3
Accumulations and deposits	11
Noise Nuisance (listening watches and investigations)	7
Smoke Nuisance	3
Abatement of Nuisance (General)	1
Drainage and Sewage disposal	3
Choked drains and sewers cleared	124
Water courses	2
Caravan Sites (Licensed)	9
Moveable dwellings (other than caravan sites)	60
Public Conveniences	1
Refuse Collection and disposal	7
Insect Infestations (other than Verminous premises)	3
Investigations of Rodent infestations following report by Rodent Operator or other information received	8
Investigations in connection with applications for Council housing	42
Infectious disease Control (investigations and other visits made)	6
Disinfection following Infectious diseases	Nil
Miscellaneous	44
Litter and Dangerous Litter Acts	1
<u>Public Health Act, 1936, Sections 92 and 93 (Statutory Nuisances)</u>	
Number of informal notices served	1
Number of informal notices complied with	Nil
Number of Abatement Notices served	Nil
Number of Abatement Notices complied with	Nil







Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960

Informal Notices served requiring removal of caravans following unauthorised siting	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Informal Notices complied with	...	...	...	...	...	...	1

FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1970.

The following categories of food premises exist in the Urban Area which are subject to the Regulations:-

Bakeries	...	...	...	2
Butchers	...	...	...	4
Cafes and Restaurants	...	...	...	7
Factory Canteens	...	...	...	1
Fish Frying	...	...	...	3
General Stores (Grocers)	...	...	...	18
Greengrocers	...	...	...	4
Ice Cream (Manufacturers)	...	...	...	2
Licensed Premises	...	...	...	18
School Kitchens	...	...	...	2
Shellfish/Pickle Factory	...	...	...	1
				<u>62</u>

There are 22 premises registered under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955 for the manufacture and/or sale of ice cream, sausages or preserved foods.

Food Hygiene (Markets, Stalls and Delivery Vehicles) Regulations, 1966:

Number of Inspections - 13.

Unfit Foods:

Certificates were issued for the voluntary surrender of foods, found to be unfit for human consumption, as follows:-

Canned food	81.lbs.	2.ozs.
Other foods	3.lbs.	6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> .ozs
Total	84.lbs.	8 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> .ozs

Unfit foods are disposed of in lime at the Council's Refuse tip.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955.

No statutory action was necessary under the Act.

MILK - THE MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATION) REGULATIONS, 1963 AND AMENDMENT REGULATIONS, 1965. MILK AND DAIRIES (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1959.

Samples of Pasteurised Milk taken for Bacteriological Examination at the Public Health Laboratory, Carmarthen satisfied the prescribed tests. No Untreated milk is produced for retail sale in the Urban Area and no samples were obtained.

There are 5 premises registered as Dairies (other than Dairy Farms) from which Registered Distributors retail milk.

ICE CREAM - THE ICE CREAM (HEAT TREATMENT, ETC.,) REGULATIONS, 1959.

Samples of Ice Cream taken for examination were found to be in the Provisional Grade I.

SHELL-FISH.

A fairly large shell-fish processing factory operates within the area. This is regularly inspected and samples of the products have always proved to be satisfactory. There are no commercial shell-fish beds in the district, the shell-fish being imported. 6 samples of imported shell-fish, before and after processing were taken and upon examination found to be satisfactory.



### SLAUGHTERHOUSES:

There are no active Slaughterhouses in the area at the present time.

### OFFENSIVE TRADES:

The one long established Gut Scraper Factory in the area closed during the year.

### DRAINAGE & SANITATION:

The whole of the Urban area is sewered to a treatment plant which provides sedimentation with re-circulation, drying beds and effluent discharge into the Burry river estuary.

The details of a scheme for the Updating of the Sewerage system of the Town were being prepared during the year for work to commence in 1973.

### REFUSE COLLECTIONS AND DISPOSAL:

A once weekly collection is in operation in the District for which a rear-loading refuse vehicle with hydraulic compression mechanism is used. Refuse receptacles are provided by householders and business people themselves. A hammer mill pulveriser is in use for the pulverisation of the refuse before deposit in a natural land depression near the foreshore at the Old Harbour.

British standard galvanised refuse bins and plastic bins are purchased and stocked by the Council for sale to residents.

### RODENT CONTROL - PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949:

A Rodent Operator is employed part time to carry out rodent control work. A free service is given in respect of private premises and a charge is made for treatment at business and industrial premises.

In addition to dealing with notifications of infestations, routine inspections and treatments are made at the Council's Refuse tip and other lands. The sewers are treated twice annually.

Rodent Control work carried out during the year is indicated in the following table which is a copy of the Annual Report (Form I.R.31) for 1972 required by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Properties other than Sewers:	Type of Property	
	Non-Agricultural	Agricultural
1. Number of properties in district	2559	8
2.(a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises)		
inspected following notification	55	-
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats	11	-
(ii) Mice	29	-
3.(a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification	3	-
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats	3	-
(ii) Mice	-	-

### FACTORIES ACT, 1961.

The prescribed particulars on the administration of the Factories Act, 1961 are attached as an Annex at the end of this Report.

### OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963.

A total of 23 premises, where the local authority enforces the Act, were registered at the end of the year.





<u>Class of Workplace</u>	<u>No. Registered</u>	<u>No. of persons employed.</u>
Offices	6	34
Retail Shops	13	45
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	1	5
Catering Establishments open to the public, canteens	2	15
Fuel Storage depots	-	-
	22	99 (43 males 56 females)

### HOUSING

#### Rent Act, 1957

Number of Certificates of Disrepair applied for ... Nil

#### Defective Premises

Number of defective dwellings repaired in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers ... 16

#### Housing Act, 1957 Section 9 and 10

Number of dwellings in respect of which Notices were served requiring repairs ... Nil

Number of dwellings which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:-

(a) by owners ... Nil

(b) by Local Authority in default of owners ... Nil

#### Housing Act, 1957 Section 16 (4)

Number of dwellings in respect of which undertakings to carry out works were accepted ... Nil

Number of dwellings rendered fit in accordance with undertakings ... Nil

Number of dwellings in respect of which undertakings were not accepted ... Nil

#### Housing Act, 1957, Section 17(1)

Number of Demolition Orders made ... Nil

Number of Demolition Orders complied with ... Nil

Number of Closing Orders made ... 1

Number of Closing Orders complied with ... 2

### IMPROVEMENT GRANTS - HOUSING ACTS

The following Grants were made during the year:-

Discretionary	23	£15,741.00
Standard	2	£ 392.00
		<u>£16,133.00</u>

#### Housing Act, 1969

Number of Qualification Certificates applied for ... Nil

Number of Qualification Certificates issued ... Nil

### HOUSING PROGRAMMES OF THE COUNCIL (PRE-WAR)

Woodbrook Terrace	...	...	...	...	...	20
Burrows Terrace	...	...	...	...	...	18
Silver Terrace	...	...	...	...	...	16





DWELLINGS BUILT SINCE 1946 (POST WAR)

Silver Terrace	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Morlan Terrace	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Newfoundland Site	...	...	...	...	...	...	68
Ashburnham Road Site	...	...	...	...	...	...	30
Y Ddwyberth	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Furnace Site	...	...	...	...	...	...	93
Stepney Road Site	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Achddu Villa Site	...	...	...	...	...	...	40
Gors Site	...	...	...	...	...	...	168
Elkington Road Site	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Old Furnace Site	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Colby Road Site	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Old Furnace Site	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Heol Dyfatty	...	...	...	...	...	...	18
East Cottages, New Street	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Sussex Road	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Flats at Sandfield (Bro Dawel)	...	...	...	...	...	...	14
Sandfield	...	...	...	...	...	...	23
Houses at Brodawl	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Isgrraig (62 houses and 10 bungalows)	...	...	...	...	...	...	72
TOTAL							<u>646</u>

The Local Red Cross Society have undertaken to make daily visits to the elderly occupants of the flats at Brodawl. A rota system of volunteer members of the Society has been drawn up for the purpose and is working successfully. Appreciation of the constant service provided by the Red Cross is gratefully recorded.

38 Private Dwelling houses were completed and occupied during the year 1972.

CARAVAN SITES AND CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1960 - There are 4 Licensed Sites within the Urban Area. Three are residential sites(1,7 and 9 caravans) and 1 Holiday Site (81 caravans).

SCHOOLS - The schools in the area are:-

Secondary Modern School, two Primary and two Infants' Schools and a Welsh (Infants' and Primary) School - Ysgol Parc-y-Tywyn - at temporary premises at the Memorial Hall and Parish Hall, Stepney Road. There is also a Play Centre held on Monday, Wednesday and Friday (9.45 a.m. to 12 noon) by volunteer parents for children between 3 years and Infant School age. The Army Cadet Force Headquarters, Stepney Road is used for the purpose.

A Nursery Play Group was established during the year at the English Baptist Church Hall, Elkington Road, for children of pre-school age.

Periodic inspections are carried out at the Schools and their kitchens by the County Public Health Inspectorate.

RAGFLOCK AND OTHER FILLING MATERIALS ACT, 1951 & REGULATIONS, 1961 & 1965.

There are no Rag Flock premises in the area.

SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS.

There are no such pools in the area. During the summer months sea bathing is enjoyed by a large number of inhabitants and visitors to the town. An indoor swimming pool is available at Llanelli.

NOISE ABATEMENT ACT, 1960.

The Council is in Membership of the Noise Abatement Society. Complaints of noise nuisance from a Social Club were investigated which involved listening watches being carried out.

HOME SAFETY. A local Home Safety Committee was set up in 1969 as a sub-committee of the Health Committee, to deal with all aspects of Home Safety in conjunction with the Wales Home Safety Council and the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents. The Council became a participating member of the Wales Home Safety Council in 1969.

COUNCIL CEMETERY. There were 26 interments during the year.

COUNCIL MORTUARY. Post Mortem examinations are now being carried out at the Llanelli General Hospital, therefore the Council Mortuary was not used this year.

I remain, Your Obedient Servant,

E.H. Beynon Hopkins  
M.R.C.S., (Eng), L.R.C.P. (London), D.P.H.



# A N N E X

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH IN RESPECT OF THE YEAR, 1972 FOR THE URBAN DISTRICT OF BURRY PORT IN THE COUNTY OF CARMARTHEN.

### Part I of the Act

#### Prescribed Particulars on the Administration of the Factories Act, 1961.

#### 1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

<u>Premises</u>	<u>No. on Register</u>	<u>No. of Inspections</u>	<u>Written Notices</u>	<u>Occupiers Prosecuted</u>
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
(i) Factories in which sections 1,2,3,4 & 6 are enforced by Local Authorities	-	-	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority	29	14	-	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by Local Authority (excluding out-workers premises)	1	-	-	-
	30	14	-	-

#### 2. Cases in which DEFECTS were found. (If defects were discovered at the premises on two, three or more separate occasions they were reckoned as two, three or more cases).

<u>Particulars</u>	<u>Number of Cases in which defects were found</u>				
	<u>Found</u>	<u>Remedied</u>	<u>Referred to H.M. Inspector</u>	<u>by H.M.</u>	<u>No. of cases in which prosecutions were instituted.</u>
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable Temperatures(S.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate Ventilation (S.4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors(S.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences(S.7):-					
Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
Unsuitable or defective	-	-	-	-	-
Not separate for Sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (Not including offences relating to out-work)	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-

### PART VIII of the Act

#### Outwork (Sections 133, and 134)

There are no Outworkers in the Urban District.



